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Accidently Innocent.

A LAWYER'S STORY.

No lawyer likes going into court with a bad case—yet how can he help it sometimes?

I should have more patience with the question, 'Do you ever think it right to defend a man whom you believe to be guilty?' were it less frequently put by people who spend six days of the week seeking to get the upper hand of their neighbors, and the seventh in trying to circumvent their Maker. To the honest inquirer, I commend the answer that Dr. Johnson once gave to Boswell, 'Sir, the lawyer is not the judge.'

Was it my place, when George Gilbert's little sorrow-worn wife came, with tears glistening in her eyes, to beseech me to do what I could for her imprisoned husband, virtuously to turn my back and leave her tired, struggling heart to break or not, as it might? I was neither a priest nor a Levite to find a ready excuse for passing by on the other side. Yet what could I do? George Gilbert had been *sent on a collecting tour*, and had gambled away money recieved for his employers. It was a very plain case for embezzlement, and the penalty was a number of years at hard labor in prison.

'I am sure he never meant to be dishonest,' pleaded the loyal little woman; 'he was tempted by a crafty and designing man, but, instead of running away, as others would have done, he came back and confessed his fault, offering to let his whole salary go toward making up the lost money till every cent should be paid. Mr. Meek, the junior partner, was willing to be merciful, but Mr. Mangle, the head of the house, who returned just then after a year's absence, insisted stronly that the law should take its own course.'

I gave her what poor consolation I could, for lawyers, like doctors, must of course keep their patients' courage up at times.

'In the first place, I'll see Messrs. Mangle & Meek,' I said. "Mr. Mangle may be brought to hear reason, after all—if he can only be made to see his interest in it.'

The pale, despondent's face cheered up a little. My words seemed to have inspired a sort of undefined hope which I was far from feeling myself.

Mr. Mangle received me with stony politeness.

'Young man,' his manner said, 'don't waste any time in appeals to sentiment; you won't if you'll only just look at me.'

I took the hint, and at once came to business, repeated Gilbert's offer, and put it as strongly as possible that more was to be gained by leniency than harshness—all of which Mr. Mangle listened to with a scowl.

'I cannot be a party to compounding a felony,' he answered with a solemn intonation.

'Nor have I asked you,' I replied, not a little rettled. 'I have only mentioned a plan of paying back your own, leaving it to your generosity to press or not press this case.'

'Oh! it's the same,' was the contemptuous rejoinder. 'Anybody but a lawyer, with his head full of quips and quillets, could see that. Besides, there's something rather cool in the proposal to retain your friend in our employ, under the pretense of working out the money that he has stolen, with the opportunity of filching twice as much more in the meantime.'

I felt my temper rising, and not caring to imperil my client's interests by an outright pitched quarrel, I took a hasty leave.

Had I been in the prisoner's place on the morning fixed for the trial, I could hardly have ascended the court house steps with more reluctance than I did.—And when I entered the court room, and found George Gilbert and his wife already there, and noted the hopeful look with which the latter greeted my coming, my very heart sickened at the thought of the bitter disappointment coming.

'The People vs. Gilbert?' called out the judge, after disposing of some formal matters.

The jury was immediately impanseled, and the case opened by the District Attorney.

Mr. Meek was the first witness. The nervous, hesitating manner in which he gave his evidence would have greatly damaged its effect, had it not evidently arisen from a disposition to do the prisoner as little hurt as was possible. But no softening could break the terrible force of the facts that he was compelled to relate.

In his partner's absence he had employed Gilbert as a clerk; he had found him competent and trustworthy; he had sent him on a trip to make collections; on his return he had acknowleged that, after receiving a considerable sum, he was induced by a respectable looking gentleman, with whom he had casually fallen in, to join in a social game of cards; at first they played for amusement, then for money, and, after losing all his own, in hope of retrieving his loss, with the fatal infatuation which attends the first infection of that dreadful vice whose end is swift destruction, he had hazarded and lost the last dollar of the money he had held in trust for his employers.

Mr. Meek's voice faltered as he closed his narrative. He was going on to volunteer something about the prisoner's previous good character, when a disapproving glance from Mr. Mangle caused him to halt.

'Just then the prisoner chanced to turn his head, and catching a glimpse of the senior partner, who had just entered and was standing among the crowd, he started quickly, then whispered hurriedly in my ear.

'Turn aside your face,' I whispered back, and the case for the prosecution being closed—

'Is there any witnesses for the defense?' inquired the judge.

'We will call Hezekiah Mangle,' I replied.

A buzz of surprise greeted the announcement, in the midst of which Mr. Mangle stepped quickly forward and was sworn.

'You have been absent for the last year, Mr. Mangle?' I began.

'I have.'

'Traveling in different parts?'

'Yes, sir.'

'The prisoner was employed by your partner in your absence, and was arrested about the time of your return?'

'Such is the case.'

'Have you ever seen him?'

'Not to my knowledge.'

'Or met him in your travels?'

'If he will turn his face this way, I can tell better.'

At my bidding Gilbert turned and faced the witness.

The effect was electrical. Mangle turned pale and red by turns.

'One more question, Mr. Mangle,' I resumed. 'Do you recognize in the defendant a young man from whom you won a thousand dollars at *poker* while on *your travels*' and I named the time and place at which the prisoner had met with his misfortune.

The man of iron virtue hesitated worse than his more amiable partner had done. He was halting between a point-blank lie which might entail the penalties of perjury, and the truth, which would cost him money.

Cowardice performed the office of conscience, and the truth came out. The firm's money, which George Gilbert had lost, had been won by the senior partner; and the court instructed the jury, as the sum in question had actually been delivered to one of the joint owners, who was bound to account to his associate, the prisoner could not be convicted on any legal term.

'God bless you, Mr. Parker!' faltered the happy little wife. 'I *knew* you would bring us out all right.'

It was evident her trustful woman's nature gave me all the credit of a result in whose achievement my share had been next to nothing.

The lesson was not lost on George Gilbert. His first false step was the *last*; and the richest fee I ever received was the heartfelt gratitude of his noble, faithful wife.

The Fall of a Mountain.

From the Helena Democrat.

Nearly every resident of Montana has either seen or heard of the famous Bear Tooth mountain, the most prominent landmark of Northern Montana. It is visible from different points or distances ranging forty to sixty miles, and is in full view from Helena and the surrounding country. The mountain is distant about thirty miles from Helena, and stands like a grim and mighty sentinel at the end of the canon known as the Gate of the Mountains, through which flows the Missouri river. The Bear-Tooth was fully described as a wonderful landmark of the early explorers, Lewis and Clark. In all photographs of the northern country the two tusks, rising black and grim about the mountain, are prominent objects. The main tusk remains, looking lonely and isolated in its grandeur.

Last Monday a party of hunters who were chasing game several miles north of the Bear-Tooth observed a rumbling sound and a quaking of the earth, and supposing it was an earthquake, and not noticing a repetition of it, they soon forgot the occurrence, and continued their chase until they reached the Bear's-Tooth. Here they were astonished at the appearance of the eastern tusk. This was a perpendicular mass of rock and earth fully 500 feet high, 300 feet in circumference at its base, and about 150 feet at the top. This immense mass had become dislodged, and coming down with the speed of an avalanche had swept through a forest of large timber for a quarter of a mile entirely leveling it.—The country around is now covered with a great mass of broken trees and tons upon tons of rock, many of them as large as an ordinary house.

Toasted on Their Own Fork.

From the Philadelphia Record, Ind.

The inside history of the recent National Greenback-Labor Convention remains to be written. The accounts telegraphed far and wide that the defeat of the Armstrong-Agnew combination was due to the influence of Cameron wire-pullers is an invention. The Convention, with the exception of the city delegation was not made up of purchasable material. The country hot-heads who composed it would neither be controlled by Mr. Armstrong's cloth, nor by Mr. Hughes' generalship. Mason's campaign was quietly managed without noise or ostentation, the lead being intrusted to a delegate from Blair county named Rynder, who made no fuss and no mistakes. The movement for the nomination of the Judge of the Supreme Court, out of the regular order originated with the friends of Armstrong. They calculated to kill off Mason by nominating Agnew, who lives in an adjoining county, and afterward to fight out the battle with the friends of Wright on more even terms. This stupid movement was Rynder's opportunity.—He combined with the friends of Wright to nominate Bentley—a combination that was equally fatal to both Wright and Armstrong—defeating Wright by joining his adversaries against him, and Armstrong by putting the candidate for Judge in his own city. Hoyt had nothing to do with this result. It was a piece of pure luck. Such dabsters in politics as Hughes, Dewees, Armstrong and Wright met their fate at the hands of babes and sucklings. They were toasting on their own fork.

PRESENTIMENT.

Or, the Man That Kissed Three Girls.

A young man who boarded at a house in the country, where were several coy damsels who seemed to imagine that men are terrible creatures, whom it was an unpardonable sin to look at, was one accosted by an acquaintance, and asked what he thought of the young ladies with whom he boarded? He replied that they were very shy and reserved.

"So they are," returned the other "and so much so, that no gentleman could get near enough to tell the color of their eyes."

"That may be," said the boarder, quickly, "but I'll stake a million that I can kiss them all three, without any trouble."

"That you cannot do," cried his friend; "it's an achievement which you nor any other man can accomplish."

The other was positive and invited his friend to the house to witness his triumph.

They entered the room together, and the three girls were all at home sitting beside the mother, and they all looked as prim and demure as John Rogers at the stake.

Our hero assumed a very grave aspect, even to dejection, and having looked wistfully at the clock, breathed a sigh as deep as Algebra, and as long as a female dialogue at the street-door. His singular deportment now attracted the attention of the girls, who cast their slow opening eyes upward to his countenance.

Perceiving the impression he had made he turned to his companion and said, in a doleful voice—

"It wants three minutes of the time."

"Do you speak of dinner?" said the old lady, laying down her sewing-work.

"Dinner!" said he, with a bewildered aspect, and pointing, as if unconsciously with curled finger at the clock.

A silence ensued, during which the female part of the household glared at the young man with irrepressible curiosity.

"You'll see me decently interred," he said, turning away to his friend.

His friend was as much puzzled as anybody present, and his embarrassment added to the intended effect; but the old lady being no longer able to contain herself, cried—

"Mr. C——, pray, what do you speak of?"

"Nothing," answered he, in a lugubrious tone, "but last night a spirit appeared unto me!

"And the spirit gave me warning that I should die exactly at 12 o'clock to-day, and you see it wants but half a minute of the time!"

The girls turned pale, and their hidden sympathies were at once awakened for the doomed and departing one. They stood chained to the spot, looking alternately at the clock and at the unfortunate youth.

He then walked up to the oldest of the girls, and taking her by the hand, bade her a solemn farewell. He also imprinted a kiss upon her trembling lips, which she didn't attempt to resist.

He then bade the second and third farewell in the same tender and affectionate manner. His object was achieved, and at that moment the clock struck twelve.

Hereupon he looked surprised and ejaculated: "Who would have believed that an apparation would tell a lie! It was probably the ghost of Ananias or Sapphira."

It was some time before the sober maidens understood the joke, and when they did, they evinced no resentment. The first kiss broke the ice, and thanks to the ghost, they discovered that there was some pleasure in a bearded cheek.

The Way to Treat 'Em.

An anxious-looking stranger, having a note-book in one hand and a pencil in the other, was saying to Bijah as the reporters entered:

"I should think your heart would almost bleed as you think of the poor orphans."

"Well, it kinder does," replied the janitor.

"And you'll subscribe $5 toward helping me found it?"

"What ye going to call it?" queried Bijah.

"It'll be named "The Universal Retreat for the World's Orphans," replied the stranger. "If you subscribe $5 you'll surely be blessed, and thousands of children'll reverence your memory."

"One o' you fellers please open that 'ere front-door," gently commanded Bijah, as he stood the broom in its favorite corner.

It was opened, and as the old man wriggled out of his coat and spit on his hands, the stranger began to shy off, and said:—

"Mr. Joy, do you—do you—" "Yes, sir, I do do!" solemnly replied the old man as he rubbed his hands together. "I take you for a dead-beat, and I'm willing to bet a necktie on it! I'm now about to proceed to inflict upon you what is laid down in history as "The Arctic Yank."

"Mr. Joy, you wouldn't hurt me, would you?" tremblingly protested the fraud, as the old man's cant-hooks fastened upon him.

"I may, and I may not," was the evasive answer, as the stranger was drawn to the door. "Now, then, shut yer eyes, grit yer teeth and repeat the fourteen commandments, for yer going to rise in the world!"

"Help! Murder! Police!" yelled the man, but he went, made a half circle and came down in a snow-bank with nothing but his legs left in view. How he struggled out before Bijah could get to him was a wonder to all, but he did, and he took the middle of the street and threw slush clear to the curb-stone as he flew to some haven of safety.

"It wasn't a fair hold, or I'd have driven him in clear up to his boot-straps," mused the janitor as he went in; and one could see a shade of disappointment on his face as the court commenced.

CAUGHT IN A TRAP.

The Fix Democratic Congressmen are in.

Mr. Northcott's despatch to the N. Y. Herald.

The Democrats are deeply annoyed here to-day at the letter of Postmaster-General Key, urging Southern men not to support for the next Congress any man who, in this Congress or otherwise, favors the Potter resolution of inquiry into the Presidential title. It was an unexpected blow, and the more telling upon the Democrats because they are themselves, with very few exceptions, irritated at having been coerced in some way, they know not how, into supporting the Potter resolution against their better judgment and intentions. The Southern Democrats in particular are annoyed, because they find themselves accused by Mr. Kye of revolutionary designs which they have not entertained, but for which their foolish support of the Potter resolution has as they feel, given at least a color. They are amazed, puzzled and indignant. They feel that somehow—they do not quite comprehend how—they have been led into a false position and they do not know how to get out of it.

The democrats go about in private, in amaze and with puzzled minds, asking each other, "Who did this thing?" "How was it done?" "Who advised it?" "Who consented to it beforehand?" and their indignation increases as they discover that not one conspicuous leader of their party was even asked about the propriety of the resolution for the inquiry. Not one, except the Speaker, who appears to have been the only leading Democrat here in the councils of the men who got it up. Mr. Potter long ago let it be known that he knew nothing of the matter until, at the last moment, he was informed by telegraph that he was ordered to report it to the House. Of the Democratic Senators—Bayard, Thurman, Randolph, Kernan, Lamar, Gordon, Beck, Hill, Morgan, Garland and others—not one, so far as is known, was even allowed to know anything of what was proposed. Not only were they not asked for advice, but they were carefully kept in ignorance of what was proposed. In the House the same care was observed to keep the secret from the most important men. It is not strange, therefore, that now, when men have had time to talk the matter over and to discover that nobody except the half dozen who were engaged in it were consulted, they go about wondering how it was done, whose was the unseen hand that so boldly manipulated the whole matter, and how the Democratic delegation in the House was led into supporting a measure which so late as the 24th of April, as appears by interviews in the *Herald*, all but twelve opposed with contempt. That an unseen hand was at work in the matter begins to be plain to many of them as they compare notes. A Southern Democrat, who, in the *Herald* interview, was strongly opposed to any measure like that of Mr. Potter, was asked to-day, "Were you misrepresented?"

"No," he said, "that is what I thought, and that is what I still think. The entire thing is unwise and wrong."

"But you voted for it?"

"Yes, I did. Two or three leading newspapers in my district suddenly came out for it and threatened that no one should be returned to Congress who dared to oppose it, and I did not like to go against the sentiment of my district."

"Were any public meetings held in your district to demand it?"

"No; only this sudden outburst in the press—and that is what I find everybody tells me of his own district. The newspapers all at once blew out, and threatened every man's seat who dared to oppose the investigation."

Now, what is noticeable in this matter is that this is the general experience of Congressmen, particularly in the South.

People here begin to suspect that the Unseen Hand was Mr. Tilden's; that his famous literary bureau prepared or inspired these simultaneous fulminations: that as Colonel Pelton is known to have come to Baltimore to arrange in a private meeting with Mr. Randall and a few others the exact time and manner in which the resolution should be introduced and pushed, so it was from the New York headquarters that the thunders were launched which were intended to alarm and deceive representatives here and coerce them into supporting a measure about which they had not been consulted beforehand, of the form and intention of which they had been carefully kept ignorant, which virtually important as it was, was never submitted to a caucus, and of which, in fact, they knew so little that even their ignorance helped to lead them astry. For they argued: "The men who are pushing this must have positive proofs in their hands or they would not dare to be so confident."

So far as your correspondent has been able to ascertain not a Democrat who is on record in the *Herald* interviews of April 24th as opposed to the measure has since changed his mind. Of course the whole list has not been again questioned, but the result of careful and extended general inquiry developes the fact that men think now as they thought then of the measure and think it wrong and unwise. If, as the general opinion here begins to be, it was really Mr. Tilden's unseen hand which thus bagged the House of Representatives one cannot but help but marvel at the industry and dexterity with which he led his party into what all of them now see and almost all beforehand declared to be a gross blunder.

The glorious warm summer days will soon be with us again, and with them will come the thunder showers, when a man can come home drunk and get under the bed and swear that he is afraid of lightning, without any notice being taken of it.—N. Y. Despatch.

Who Hath Wisdom.

He who turneth his head when he puncheth the fire.

She who putteth not on her bridal raiment until the bridegroom appeareth in person.

He who smaiteth not a strange animal, but first *informeth himself as to his nature.*

He who punisheth a bad mule at a distance with a pole.

She who doeth over her old bonnet the moment that her husband stoppeth his gin

He who subdueth his temper when the provoker of his ire is much the biggest fellow.

He who pledgeth himself to abstinance when the liquor recoileth from his stomach.

Ye young girl who persuadeth not herself that ye husband will be much kinder than ye lover.

He who putteth not up his money on a horse race without first having a definite understanding with ye horse's manager.

She whose character being exceedingly leaky, doth not seek to injure her neighbor's.

The old maid, who having no one to love her, raileth not at the younger people nor whisphereth venom against him whom she might have won.

And all such have wisdom.

A Terrible Fate.

In India, lepers are occasionally buried alive. When a leper is past all hope of living more than a few days or weeks, his nearest relations arrange, with his approval, for his immediate interment.—Self-destruction by burial is called samadh, and is regarded as so highly meritorious that the disease is sure to die out in the family of the victim. So lately as 1875 a leper named Oonah, living and lingering at Seroli, entreated his wife to put an end to his misery. A bunnia, or tradesman, was accordingly engaged to make the necessary arrangements, which simply consisted in hiring a couple of laborers to dig a hole, into which they thrust Oonah, he consenting to his own death. The Durbar, coerced by the British government, at last took cognizance of this incident, and fined the widow one hundred rupees. The bunnia was sentenced to three years imprisonment, and the grave-diggers each to two years, but it is very unlikely that they will undergo half that punishment.

John Randolph Outdone.

Here is one of the many amusing anecdotes of this eccentric man of Roanoke: He was travelling through a part of Virginia, in which he was acquainted, and stopped during the night at an inn near the forks of the road. The inn-keeper was a fine old gentleman, and no doubt belonged to one of the first families of the *Old Dominion.*

Knowing who his distinguished guest was, he endeavored during the evening to draw him in a conversation, but failed in all his efforts. But in the morning, when Mr. Randolph was ready to start, he called for his bill, which, on being presented, was paid. The landlord, still anxious to have some conversation with him, began as follows:

"Which way are you travelling, Mr. Randolph?"

"Sir?" said Mr. Randolph, with a look of displeasure.

"I asked," said the landlord, "which way you are travelling?"

"Have I paid you my bill?"

"Yes."

"Do I owe you anything more?"

"No."

"Well, I'm going just where I please. Do you understand?"

"Yes."

The landlord by this time got somewhat excited, and Mr. Randolph drove off. But, to the landlord's surprise, in a few minutes the servant returned to inquire for his master which of the forks of the road to take, Mr. Randolph not being out of hearing distance, the landlord spoke at the top of his breath:

"Mr. Randolph, you don't owe me one cent; just take which road you please."

It is said that the air turned blue with the curses of Randolph.

A WIDOW'S husband had been dead seven years, relates a sporting writer, and she still preserves her weeds, to the astonishment of many admirers both of her face and her fortune. An English nobleman, well-known in Paris, and an acquaintance of her husband's became enamored of her, and ventured to send her a splendid bouquet one morning. To his intense delight he saw her pass the window the afternoon with the flowers in her hand. He rushed out to meet her, his gallant soul all on fire, "I am so pleased to see you with them!" he exclaimed with *empressment*. "Ah, yes," she replied, demurely, with a glance of purest innocence, "it was very kind of you! I always knew you liked him. I am taking them to Pere la Chaise to lay them on his grave."

IT cost Russia £100,000,000 to carry on the Turkish war.

RUSSIA has 600,000 men available for field services at present.

A LOAD of hay weighing 1800 pounds was cut by a Newfield (N.Y.) farmer April 28.

FOUR of Scranton's School Directors can neither read or write.

A CARBONDALE man engaged in a walking match against a horse, and won.

A LANCASTER farmer net $1800 from five acres of tobacco last year.

"FODDER-LAND," — America — as this country now supplies Europe with beef, flour, apples, potatoes, butter and cheese.

THE Cincinnati *Enquirer* recently appeared with but a single line of editorial. It read, "All the news but no opinions to-day."

THE McKEAN MINER.

H. F. Barbour - - - Editor.

Smethport, Pa., June 6, 1878.

REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

For Governor,

HON. HENRY M. HOYT,

OF LUZERNE COUNTY.

For Lieutenant Governor,

HON. CHARLES W. STONE,

OF WARREN COUNTY.

For Judge Supreme Court,

HON. JAMES P. STERRETT,

OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

For Secretary of Internal Affairs,

HON. AARON K. DUNKEL,

OF PHILADELPHIA.

Having nothing to defend, let us not go upon the defensive. Being right, gentlemen, let us be aggressive.—GEN. H. M. HOYT.

KING WILLIAM, of Prussia has been shot at again by one of his beloved subjects. This thing of riding out every day under a raking fire must be getting monotonous to the old man.

THE Potter Investigation Committee have decided at last to conduct an open investigation, and to allow those whose character they have assailed to appear with counsel in their own defense.

THE State Legislature has adjourned, and Congress will dissolve the 17th. The only thing that will trouble the country then will be the communists and potato-bugs—oh, yes, Potter's Investigation Committee.

ONE hundred and sixty-one Democratic Representatives voted for the Electoral Commission and only nineteen voted against it. Every Democratic Senator but one voted for it. Now the Democrats vote to overturn their own work.

THE economical Democracy have rushed through the House an appropriation of $20,000 to pay the expense of the special fraud committee's trips to Florida and Louisiana. That is a liberal price to force the country to pay for the unloading of a batch of quickened conscience.

ONE of the Democratic explanations for Mr. Key's letter is that he had contributed to the Republican campaign fund and was unwilling to see his money sacrificed in a hopeless cause. His letter is worth a good many contributions, and will be worth more yet if the Democrats keep on yelping about it.

THE question for Republicans and for the country is no longer whether they approve all that Hayes has done but whether we have a stable government and whether this is a land of law. It is not whether the President has always acted wisely, but whether he is President, and whether he can be driven out of office by revolutionary means. On this question there is no difference among Republicans or among patriots of any party.—Albany *Journal*.

A TRAMP correspondent of the Pittsburgh *Telegraph* was accidently invited by a friend to spend a day at the "ranche" of Orville Grant, U. S. Grant's brother, and he has written a long letter boiling over with what he calls "important political facts" that he managed to worm out of Orville. The "facts" are that Grant intends to be a candidate for President at the next election; that his trip to Europe is part of the plan, &c., &c. It is a pretty tale, and may be true—and again it may not. If not, why not?

MR. STEPHENS continues to talk freely about the folly of the fraud crusade. He says he isn't trying to start a new party, but to prevent a smash-up. He sees great possibilities of harm in the Potter movement. "A terrier after a mouse will overturn boxes and do great damage. He does not intend to, but still he does, and so with this committee in their search for fraud; they may do the country an irreparable injury." The difference between Mr. Potter and the terrier is that he does mean mischief. He says distinctly that the object is to unseat the President, if it can be done.

THE warning letter of Postmaster General Key has proved to be a bombshell in the revolutionary camp at Washington, and the whole pack is now at work abusing him for his manly and outspoken sentiments. Such letters as those of Key, Thurlow Weed and Alexander H. Stephens should be sufficient to arouse the country to a full realization of the danger to be apprehended from the conspirators in congress who are plotting for the overthrow of the government. It is about time to give them to understand that there is a summary way of dealing with traitors.—Williamsport *Bulletin*.

THE Senate has indicated that they may yet do a little investigation as well as their brethren in the House. A Washington dispatch of the 3d inst. says: Senator Edmunds, in a manner which was unobserved, indicated a movement which is likely to give the Democrats some trouble. The House bill appropriating $20,000 for the expenses of the Potter Committee is pending in the Senate Committee on Appropriations. Senator Edmunds to-day sent an amendment to that committee providing that if the Potter Committee receives the $20,000, the Senate Contingent fund shall also have set to his credit $30,000 to be used for any investigation which the Senate may make during this Congress. That is equivalent to a declaration on the part of the Senate Republicans that they hold an investigation in reserve in case the House Democrats are as grossly partisan and unfair as they have hitherto been, and an investigation with Mr. Edmunds for its chairman, would not be a trifling affair for the Democracy. It would not be limited to one or two parishes in certain States.

THE RULE OF THE DESPOT.

The oil producers, and all whose interests are in any way connected with the business oil production, are now suffering from the despotic rule of that gigantic monopoly, the Standard Oil Company, and no one knows where or how it will end. We copied in our last issue a statement showing how the screws were being applied to the B. N. Y. & P. railroad to force that corporation to abandon its intention to transport oil for the producers. It looks very much as if they were in a position to be forced to obey the Standard mandates. The monopoly controls the railroads, and this controls transportation. The latest mandate seems to be that no cars shall be furnished to shippers outside of the Standard, thus while buyers are clamoring for oil the tanks are running over and shippers find it impossible to get the cars. The railroads get their charters from the people, as public carriers, and cannot be censured too severely if they thus sell themselves to this detestable monopoly. This thing may be carried too far till the suffering public becomes sufficiently exasperated to undertake the righting of the matter at the expense of law and order. Producers and others cannot be expected to sit down quietly and be robbed.

THE THIRD term spook has had a bad effect upon a good many nervous editors, but one of the most sacred men in the country is the genial conductor of *The Cincinnati Commercial*. One day he declares anybody who hints at a possible third term "foolish," and the next day his paper is *fairly shingled with* paragraphs, all constructed to show Grant's total unfitness for President. If there is no third term movement, why this anxiety about it? Why, also, this premature calling for a third party to head it off? In this part of the country the general impression is that it is not worth while to get into a perspiration about something which cannot possibly happen for more than two years yet.

GENERAL KEY is in the receipt of a great many letters in response to his open letter on the subject of the Potter investigation. Among those who have taken the trouble to write to him is our venerable democratic friend H. E. Purdy, of the Elmira *Free Press*. He speaks his mind as follows:

The Weekly Free Press, ELMIRA, N. Y., May 29th, 1878.

The Hon. D. M. Key, Washington, D. C.

DEAR SIR: I have read your letter addressed to the people of the South. You mistake the animus of the Potter resolution. No one expects to unseat Mr. Hayes. That is all talk. The real object is to make Tilden a martyr candidate for 1880. Now the South, united South gave that remarkable fossil to the Democratic party in 1876; and all the true men of the North ask is that the South, united or divided, will not help to foist him on the party again. I speak as a Democrat. Those who are in favor of reopening the Presidential question of 1876 at this day, are like angels' visits, "few and far between." It means Tilden in 1880. Yours, etc.,

H. E. PURDY.

HONEST AT LEAST.

Gen. Sherman has no apology to make for "my policy," or for "conciliation." He took a patriotic part in the rebellion, and is not ashamed of it. He fought for the North, and is not ashamed of that either, even if the gallantry and chivalry of the South are to be exalted in these latter days, and the North only succeeded by numbers. The Unionists were neither brave nor soldiers. They could not compare with the spirit and elan of the Southern men. But Gen. Sherman had a contrary opinion, and let his words ring in the President's ears: "We claim," said the General, "that in the great Civil War we of the National Union Army were right and our adversaries wrong, and no special pleading, no excuse, no personal motives, however pure and specious, can change this, the verdict of the war." When we recall the speeches made by the President during his tour in the South last summer, in which the forces of the Confederates were extolled, and their "cause," if not approved, at least was not condemned, the people of the North, who have been laboring under the delusion for the past year that the South was right and we were wrong, will have additional cause to honor the General of the army. By the time that a few more Potter Investigating Committees shall have tried to put the government into the hands of the South, by paving the way to a Democratic revolution, a great many more credulous people will believe like Gen. Sherman.

Schurz and the Timber Business.

Gail Hamilton in New-York Tribune.

The whole history of the Montana timber question shows that Mr. Blaine and Mr. Teller were not abusive, but accurate, when they said that Mr. Schurz in that action was not a practical man of business, but an impractical theorist; that he was applying to our country the land laws of Prussia, and not the United States; and that he was apparently ignorant of the difference between the country of his adoption. The history of the proposition to which Mr. Teller casually and rather cavalierly refers shows, if I mistake not, the same thing. These Senators were not speaking in the random, rhetorical way employed by Rev. James Freeman Clarke; they were speaking by the law and by the testimony.—At that very moment there was pending before the Senate Committee on Public lands a bill, prepared under Mr. Schurz's direction, having in view the direct introduction of Prussian land laws into this country.

Emperor William Fired Upon.

BERLIN, June 2.—While the Emperor was taking a drive at 2:30 o'clock this afternoon some shots apparently proceeding from a house in the Avenue Unter den Linden were fired at him. The Emperor was wounded in one arm and one cheek by buck shot and small shot. The would-be-assassin is Dr. Nobeling, occupying apartments at No. 18 Unter den Linden. When his door was forced open he fired upon and wounded a hotel-keeper, and tried to commit suicide, but was secured. The Emperor's personal attendant jumped into the carriage and supported the Emperor until the carriage reached the palace. The Emperor was conveyed to bed and several grains of shot extracted, causing great loss of blood. The Emperor suffered great pain, but never lost consciousness up to the latest moment. At 7 o'clock this evening no serious apprehensions are felt as to his condition.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

SENATOR SHARON has not drawn his Legislative pay for nearly a year.

THE question of the future seems likely to be, Will Diaz recognize the Tilden government?—Chicago *Tribune*.

TILDEN'S income-tax suit came up in the United States Court in New-York, Tuesday, for trial on its merits, but was put over the term.

IT IS a pity that the President had not let all the Southern election officers see his coat-tails as Anderson says that they were disclosed to himself.—Evening *Post*.

THE New Orleans *Times* of May 29th calls Anderson "a disreputable party scullion," and says that every one in New Orleans must cordially indorse the statement that his testimony is worthless.

HON. CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS is reported to have recently said that he knows Mr. Tilden was counselled in 1877 to assume the offensive, and that he deliberately refused to plunge the country into civil strife.

THE Senate voted to re-enact the franking privilege yesterday, and it will probably go into effect. The House likes privileges as well as the Senate.

THE House defeated Wood's Tariff bill by a vote of 134 to 121 yesterday, and reduced the tax on tobacco from 24 to 16 cents a pound.

THE Philadelphia *Record* says that in voting for Africa for Lieutenant Governor a Luzerne delegate called out "Ethiopa." He doubtless knew there was "a nigger in the fence."

DEMOCRATIC members are now in receipt of letters from their constituents asking for places as soon as Tilden gets into the White House, which they seem to regard as only a question of a few weeks.

IT IS announced in the Williamsport *Bulletin* that State Treasurer Noyes is at home recovering from the effects of a surgical operation performed for the removal of a cancer on his lower lip.

THE third eclipse of the sun for 1878 will occur on the 29th of July, beginning at 4:31 p.m., and will be partly visible here. The total eclipse of the Democratic party of Pennsylvania will occur in November.

THE scene before the Potter Investigating Committee Tuesday was pitiful in the extreme, and even the Democratic members were forced to hang their heads in shame when the witness Anderson confessed himself a perjurer and as unworthy of belief.—*Washington special to New-York Post*.

BY a decision of the Court of Appeals of Mississippi, recently, Jefferson Davis has recovered the full title and interest of his fine plantation at Briarfield, Warren County, Miss., comprising a beautiful island in the Mississippi.

SOME of the politicians of Ohio have found a bonanza in the Ex-Hon. John O'Conner recently expelled from the Ohio Legislature as an ex-convict, as they have induced him to lecture on the subject, "From the Penitentiary to the Legislature," with much success.

ANOTHER little slip of the tongue for the slippery-tongued Anderson. It seems that he did not "decline" his consulate until the President, seeing what manner of man he was, had revoked his appointment. Mr. Hayes was evidently very much afraid of Anderson.—*Tribune*.

"GIVE this gentleman a Consulate in a *warm climate*. This is a special case," wrote President Hayes to Secretary Evarts, concerning Anderson. Evarts not having connection with that place nearer that Funchal, gave Anderson that Consulate, but Anderson rejected it. It would appear from Hayes's order that he believed Evarts was the devil himself.—Louisville *Courier-Journal*.

PRESIDENT HAYES, according to the New York *Post's* correspondent, says to his friends freely that he should condsider it his duty, if an attempt were made to get him out of the office to which he has been declared legally elected, to maintain himself in that office, and to see that matters are kept in *statu quo* until his successor is elected according to law.

THE Buffalo *Courier* having remarked that "this is not the first important occasion on which Alexander H. Stephens has separated himself from his party when the party was clearly in the right," the New-York *Tribune* wants to know if the other time when Mr. Stephens was wrong and his party right was when he opposed secession? The *Courier* will perhaps explain. That was certainly the only other notable question on which a difference has arisen between them.—Buffalo *Express*.

POSTMASTER-GENERAL KEY claims that he and Mr. Stephens represent the real sentiments of the better class of Southern people, and that their anxiety is to prevent their section from being dragooned by violent partisan leaders into a movement which can work nothing but injury to the South. As for the abuse which is poured upon him, he cares nothing about that. He may be right about Southern sentiment, but unfortunately Southern talk and Southern votes are all against him.

HON. MATTHEW S. QUAY has accepted the chairmanship of the Republican State Central Committee, and he will at once proceed to organize the party for an active and aggressive campaign. Lucius Rogers, Esq., of McKean county, and late journal clerk in the Senate, has been chosen as Secretary. The assumption of command by Mr. Quay marks an era of progress, and augurs the success of the ticket. His great experience, personal popularity and superior generalship will mould the canvass from the start most auspiciously, for, in taking charge of the organization, he means to win the fight.—Williamsport *Gazette & Bulletin*.

ALL the biographical notices sent from Pittsburg of Dill, the Democratic candidate for Governor, says the *Press*, ostentatiously refer to his military service. A careful inspection of the State records shows that there was an emergency regiment knocked together in 1863, known as the Twenty-eighth. It was mustered in June 24 and discharged July 28. Its service was one month. Andrew H. Dill figures as first lieutenant of Company F. This company consisted of a captain, two lieutenants, five sergeants, eight corporals and thirty-six whole privates. There is no record in the list of casualties, of a death, wound, or even a case of diarrhoea. There is nothing to show that this regiment ever heard a hostile shot fired, or ever saw a gray uniform. Hurrah for Dill!

Postmaster General Key's Letter.

"WASHINGTON, May 28th, 1878.

"The circumstances attending the passage of the Potter resolution to investigate the alleged frauds in the Presidential election of 1870, in the States of Louisiana and Florida, together with the subsequent declarations of many influential Democratic politicians and journalists, evidence that if both Houses of the Forty-sixth Congress are Democratic, the majority intend to oust President Hayes and inaugurate Mr. Tilden.

"The title of President Hayes was settled irrevocably by the Forty-fourth Congress in the act creating the Electoral Commission, under which he was legally declared elected and legally inaugurated.—The Forty-fifth Congress has no more right to dispute his election than he has to question the title of any victorious contestant to his seat in that body. The Forty-sixth Congress will have no more right to ignore him and to recognize his defeated contestant, Mr. Tilden, than Mr. Hayes would *have to send a file of soldiers to the House* of Representatives to unseat a Democrat whom he might consider to have been wrongfully seated or fraudulently elected. The leaders in this desperate attempt to Mexicanize *our institutions rely confidently* upon the "solid South" to furnish the bulk of the Democratic majority in the next House of Representatives, the Senate being already secured. Remembering the encouragement which the Northern Democrats in 1860-1 extended to the Southern States to secede, and the manner in which their promises of aid and comfort were fulfilled, can the Southern people afford to join this revolutionary movement, with the certainty that when the inevitable hour of peril comes, they will again be unassisted and alone to meet the storm from the North, once more united by this attempt to revive an issue whose settlement was forced by public opinion upon an unwilling Congress?

"In the dark days of February, 1877, when civil-war over the disputed election was imminent, and patriots trembled for the safety of Republican institutions, the Southern members of Congress averted the danger by compelling the completion of the electoral count under the law which both parties in Congress had enacted. But now the Representatives from the Southern States, with a very few exceptions, have joined a movement to subvert the results of their former patriotic action, and to remand the country to that anarchy from which, less than two years ago, it was saved by their efforts. Grant that in permitting the autonomy of all the States, and in appointing citizens to office in the South, instead of strangers, President Hayes had but discharged his constitutional duty, does that excuse the Southern Representatives for attempting to invalidate his title, which *they established*, or will it justify them in bringing the country again in danger of civil-war in the effort to unseat him and inaugurate Mr. Tilden?

"The South must now face the most momentous crisis in its history since 1861. To indorse the recent conduct of their Representatives is to admit the truth of the charge that the people of the South care nothing for the welfare of the Union, desire the downfall of the Republic, and would rejoice to see it again involved in civil-war. If their Representatives have not reflected their sentiments, as I believe to be the case, then the people of the Southern States should take care that in the Forty-sixth Congress they are represented by men who will defeat the disturbers of the public peace and prevent the Mexicanization of our institutions. To do this they may be compelled to act independent of the Democratic party. Recent events have *demonstrated the inability of* Democratic members of Congress to resist the mandates of the caucus and the terrors of the party lash, the one wielded and the other inspired by men who seem willing to endanger the welfare of the country and the stability of Republican institutions for the sake of revenge on political opponents and in the hope of dividing the "spoils of victory." If the Democratic Representatives of the South could not resist the caucus command to pass the Potter resolution unamended and without debate, how will they be able in the Forty-sixth Congress to resist a similar command to ignore Mr. Hayes as President and to recognize Mr. Tilden? It is, therefore, the duty of the Southern people to afford a crowning evidence of their renewed devotion to the Union, in which they now enjoy every right of citizenship and are subjected to no restrictions not laid upon every citizen, by sending Representatives to the Forty-sixth Congress pledged to resist at all hazards the revolutionary schemes of the mischief-makers who seem to have gained control of the House of Representatives of the Forty-fifth Congress. To this end the people in every district should meet publicly, organize, and resolve to support no person for Congress who has not given aid to this movement, and who will not pledge himself to sustain the title of President Hayes during the term for which he was elected against all attempts at its overthrow. Only in this way can a grave danger to the republic be averted and convincing proof be given that the confidence was not misplaced which President Hayes manifested in the South when he withdrew the troops from the State-houses of South Carolina and Louisiana. I have spoken plainly and earnestly, for I feel that I should be unworthy to represent the South in the Administration were I to remain silent now. Invited to the Cabinet as a Southern man, to see that justice was done to the South, required neither to apologize for my record, nor to disown my political principles. It is my duty now to warn the people of *the South of the danger* which threatens the country. No man need hope that the schemes of the men who have engineered the movement to unseat President Hayes can be carried out without a bloody civil war. *To avert this danger I confidently* rely upon the patriotism and honor of the people of my native section.

D. M. KEY."

Nasby Dances for Joy.

From his Letter to the Toledo Blade.

We hev got 'em. We shel investigate jist as fur ex we want to, and that will be in jist enuff States to elect Tilden. We hev got Mr. Hayes this time. We shel teach the Ablishnists that when a purs man like Samyooel J. Tilden hez bought and paid for an offis, he is goin to git it. We hev sworn not to be swindled out uv wat wuz ours by purchis. Tilden is a great man. It cost him too much to buy the nominashun and the electshun, not to have 'em. We are goin' to be President. I am arrangin' it. You will hear from me next week. The Corners will be electrified! The country is safe, and Dimocrisy is on the high road to success.

Alexander H. Stephens, being reproached by a Democratic colleague for apparent coldness to his party, replied: "In assailing the title of the President; repealing the resumption law; imposing an income tax; urging the payment of Southern claims, and attempting to reduce the army, the Democratic party is loading the country so that the people will begin to call for "Grant again!"

SOMEHOW the new silver dollars refuse to circulate. Aside from running round and round to pay customs duties they seem to accomplish very little. The Treasury has bought 525 tons of silver, coined $5,972,678, paid out for currency $470,408, exchanged for gold $215,598, and paid out for silver bullion $92,169. The government now has on hand $5,187,533 of the new coinage, while the actual amount in circulation is $38,000. The amount received back by the Treasury is $313,900. The amount of silver certificates is $342,040. The bullion owners themselves seem declined to take the "dollar of our daddies" for the products of their mines, and at present the coin is a dead weight in the Treasury vaults. What is quite as remarkable as anything connected with the subject is the fact that silver bullion has depreciated in price since the silver bill was passed.

"We held the cards, but the Republicans bluffed us," writes Mr. Potter to a Rev. friend. What does the man mean?

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S. P. CHEESEMAN, Atty for Petitioners.

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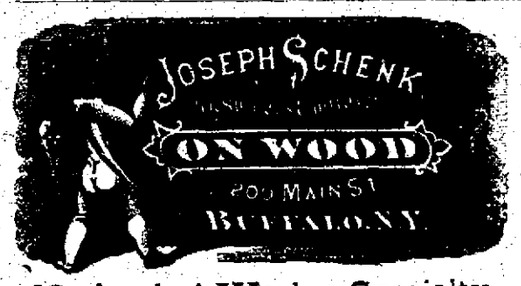

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THE McKEAN MINER.

Smethport, Pa., June 6, 1878.

Lodge Directory.

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ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH.—Rev. J. F. SMITH, pastor. Mass at 11 a.m. Service at 11 30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Services on each alternate Sunday at Smethport and Clermont.

Official Directory.

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Additional Judge.—S. F. Wilson, Wellsboro, Tioga Co.
Associate Judges.—W. A. Brownell, Smethport; P. N. Burnham, Eldred.
District Attorney.—F. B. Conner, Port Allegany.
Sheriff.—C. S. King, Smethport.
Prothonotary.—C. K. Sartwell, Smethport. *Deputy.*—J. R. Chadwick.
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Commissioners.—Maj. Bunker, Orlando Gallup, Wm A. Young.
Comrs. Clerk.—Jno. R. Chadwick, Smethport.
Auditors.—O. D. Coleman, J. L. Bean, M. W. Fisher.
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Borough Officers.

Burgess—M L. Armstrong
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—Gen. Thos. L. Kane is in town.

—Ground has been broken for another opera house in Bradford.

—Col. J. T. Henry is very ill, and recovery considered hopeless.

—H Hamlin informs us that the derrick is replaced and the tools drawn from his well.

—Over half a million barrels of oil changed hands at the Oil City Exchange last Saturday.

—Decoration Day exercise were generally a failure on account of the unpropitious weather.

—The Test Regatta at Watkins, N. Y. was a failure. An over-supply of wind and rain, and gamblers, was the cause.

—If you really do think anything of your girl, hire a stylish rig at Knapp's livery and take her out riding.

—We are troubled again with an unusual rush of job work—in fact we are afflicted in that way most of the time.

—We understand that Fred. E. Smith, formerly of the *Erie County Advertiser*, has purchased an interest in the Bradford Sunday *Breeze*.

—Twenty-four thousand dollars is the amount of taxes paid by Gen. Kane this year in McKean, Elk and Cameron counties. That's all.

—According to the figures furnished by the pipe line men the runs in the Bradford field for May average over 14,000 barrels a day.

—Dr. H. L. McCoy went to Buffalo on Tuesday to attend the twenty-ninth annual convention of the American Medical Association in session in that city.

—Mr. Hambleton, the artist, has concluded to remain in Smethport a few weeks longer, in deference to the wishes of many who have not yet been able to secure a sitting.

—District Attorney Smith is busily engaged in working-up his Commonwealth cases for next term. There will be between 75 and 100 indictments presented.

—The notorious Sam. Pardee has been arrested in Warren for obtaining money under false pretenses.—*Era.* Pardee was arrested in Kendall, only about a mile from the *Era* office.

—The Emporium *Independent* says the editor of that paper is one of the representative men of the county, and Gould, of the *Press*, is mean enough to suggest that this is hard in the county!

—Brother Hughes, of the *Reporter* is a number of the Democratic State Committee, and the editor of this paper is a number of the Republican State Committee. But we are neither of us proud!

—An exchange says, "A beautiful example of 'force of habit' is to see a disciple of Murphy fill a glass with water, and dreamily blow the froth off the innocent water before drinking."

—Hon. L. Rogers, of this borough, has been selected to perform the rather onerous duties of Secretary of the State Republican Committee. No better selection could have been made.

—Our local oil operators were in high spirits Tuesday evening, with the Haskill well pumping at the rate of ten barrels a day, but words cannot express their feelings next morning.

—The controlling interest in the Pennsylvania end of the Olean & Bradford railway has been purchased by the company owning the New York division.

—J. J. M. can now write to the *Derrick*, with his usual disgusting and lying embellishments, that his "barrel of muddy oil" slopped over and set fire to the derrick of the "irrepressible" Haskill well.

—A trusted clerk in the Bradford postoffice has been arrested for theft in abstracting valuable letters from the mails. He confessed it all, but will undoubtedly have to suffer the penalty of the law.

—Hon. W. W. Brown delivered the Decoration Day oration at Bradford. The *Era* says "it was an effort to be appreciated, of great merit, and eliciting hearty applause." Wallace never fails in that position.

CONFLAGRATION.

The Haskill Well visited by the Fiery Fiend.--The Derrick burned to the Ground.

The "latest from the Haskill well" is of a sensational nature, very discouraging to the owners, and possibly very pleasing to many parties who would rejoice to see the hole itself suffer a cremation. When the owners left the well Tuesday evening she was pumping steadily a clean, lively, green oil at the rate of at least ten barrels a day, leaving orders to continue the pumping all night, they returned to their homes well satisfied that the long battle was ended and won, that they had at last overcome all obstacles and got the well in shape to do all it could under the circumstances, steadily and uninterruptedly. The workmen report that everything worked nicely up to after midnight, when the gas seemed to increase rapidly accompanied by frequent spurts oil from the pipe of a pailful and more at a time. This continued to about 3 or 4 o'clock in the morning, when the pumper being busy in the engine house heard an unusual noise and looking around saw the inside of the derrick was all in blaze.

There must have been an unusual flow of oil and gas, which was ignited from a lantern which was kept hanging in one corner of the derrick. The derrick. The rig and engine house was entirely destroyed, but the tank was unjured. The engine is damaged considerably, but can be repaired. The entire loss can probably be made good for $1000, and we are informed by the owners that the derrick will be rebuilt, and operations resumed as soon as possible.

We could scarcely imagine a more disappointing and provoking occurrence than the burning of this rig at just this particular time. It is unnecessary to relate the history of operations on the well. Our readers are generally acquainted with the almost insurmountable obstacles that have continually arisen, and how patiently, persistently and heroically the owners have labored to overcome them. But they felt on Tuesday night that they had finally overcome all difficulties and won the victory. Judge then their disappointment on awaking the next morning to find the fruit of their victory so suddenly snatched from their hands. We are pleased to know that they are yet full of pluck and will proceed to repair the disaster as soon as possible. It is a good well that will survive the treatment suffered by this Haskill well, and at the end of it all pump upwards of 10 barrels per day of the best quality of oil. We are aware that there is a deal of small-minded prejudice in certain sections regarding the well, and many people are determined in their own minds to believe nothing good of it. Yet facts are stubborn things, and those who know the facts are unmindful of the small gibes and sneers of the prejudiced and ignorant, and are quite willing to "bide their time."

Relating to Side-Walks.

As a matter pertinent to the present time and occasion, we reprint below Ordinance No. 40 in relation to side-walks, for the interest and benefit of citizens generally:

SEC. 1. Be it hereby ordained and enacted &c. That all sidewalks hereafter built within the limits of said borough shall be constructed of stone, brick, or plank and shall be at least four feet wide, the out or road side of which shall be uniformly six feet from the line of the adjoning lot, and where a walk crosses a street the owner of the adjoining land is required to extend the walk into the street six feet beyond his line so as to receive a walk on the street on the street being crossed, *Provided*, that the Council may grant a special permit for building a wider or narrower walk.

SEC. 2. When a walk is required to be built the ground must be properly graded under the direction of the Borough Engineer, and if built of plank the plank shall be of uniform width and laid lengthwise on sleepers which are to be embedded into the earth even with its surface so that the plank shall rest upon the earth as well as on the sleepers and the said plank shall be interlocked with each other so as to break joints upon all the sleepers which are to be crosswise under said walk. If the walk is built of stone or brick the same is to be done under the direction of the Borough engineer. All walks directed to be built shall have the necessary and suitable culverts to pass the water.

SEC. 3. When a walk is directed to be built the Council requiring the same shall fix a reasonable time for its completion and require the owner or owners of the lots of land respectively fronting thereon to build the same in accordance with the general regulations, and when the Council do not specify whether the walk shall be of stone, brick or plank, the respective owners may build whichever kind they see fit; and if the walk is not built within the time specified, the owners having had at least twenty days notice, then the Borough shall cause the same to be done and collect the cost of the work and materials with 20 per cent. advance thereon from said owner or owners according to law.

SEC. 4. All sidewalks built by direction of the Borough Council shall be kept in repair by the owner or owners of the lots of ground respectively fronting thereon and if the said owner or owners neglect to repair the same for the space of ten (10) days after being notified so to do by the Borough Council or its executive officer, then the borough may cause the same to be done and collect the cost of the same with 20 per cent. advance thereon from the said owner or owners in the same manner as is provided in Sec. 3 of this ordinance for collecting cost &c. of building sidewalks.

SEC. 5. Whenever a sidewalk is ordered to be built crossing streets opened, the borough will build the crossing as soon as the walk on each side shall be completed.

Fine Carriages.

H. W. Moore, of Olean, has a wide reputation as a builder of fine carriages, and thus when any one wishes to indulge in the pleasure and luxury of a carriage that will "out-shine" and out-last competitors, Moore generally gets the order. A phaeton recently received by Mrs. Dr. S. D. Freeman from his manufactory furnishes proof of this statement. It is really one of the finest carriages to be seen in the county. It is worthy of, and will bear inspection and criticism.

Allegany County Statistics.

The town of Almond has decreased its population 341 in twenty years. The town of Burns has gained 547 inhabitants in ten years.

These towns of Allegany county are decreasing in population: Alfred, Allen, Almond, Amity, Angelica, Canaseas, Centreville, Cuba, Independence, Rushford, Scio, Ward, West Almond, Wirt.

These towns are increasing in population: Alma, Andover, Belfast, Birdsall, Bolivar, Burns, Clarksville, Friendship, Genesee, Granger, Grove, Hume, New Hudson, Wellsville, Willing.—*Canaseraga Times.*

LOCAL CORRESPONDENCE

From Eldred and Knapps Creek.

MONDAY, June 3, 1878.

ELDRED.

The Kendall & Eldred R. R. is progressing favorably. The grading is completed from the Depot at Eldred to the River or to the point where it was necessary to trestle which has also been completed to the river. The grading is also nearly finished some three miles from the river. The iron for the track is expected to-day and men are in readiness to commence laying the ties and rails, and the bridge will be so that they can cross over with their hand-cars, in carrying the rails for laying the track probably by Tuesday or Wednesday. Bullis Bros. of Port Allegany, have contracted to furnish all the sawed timber required for the eastern section of the road.

There are large gangs of men engaged at different points along the line and the road will probably be completed about the middle of July if not sooner.

There is considerable life and stir on the streets in Eldred, during the day, especially at train time. There are several new buildings and places of business in progress of erection and some of them which have formerly been noted in my correspondence have been finished and are now occupied. We have some 8 or 4 lawyers, 4 or 5 doctors and about as many preachers.

We are expecting to have two new churches to be built this summer, and if we are not improved in our morals it will be our own fault.

We had a very enthusiastic temperance meeting at the Union Church last Friday evening, which was addressed by our old and much esteemed friend, Rev. S. D. Morris, of State Line. The address was plain and pointed, showing up the fallacy of the arguments offered by those who petition for license to sell intoxicating drinks. He suggested the propriety of sending up remonstrances from our new and growing town to the Judges of our court against granting license, which was heartily responded to by many others present. There were appropriate remarks made by Dr. Chrisman, Judge Barden, Mr. Piper, Eugene Morris and Rev. R. C. Allison, of Onondago county, N. Y., after which the names were called for and some 80 signatures were obtained that evening and some more the next day, comprising the names of the most prominent citizens of our town, which is unquestionably an unmistakable indication of the sentiment of the people on the temperance question.

It is now a cause for congratulation that the den of out-laws near the Lattice Bridge has been routed and sold out to Messrs. Hendrick & Rice, who will doubtless use the building for a better purpose.

C. M. Coleman, of the Cheese Factory Hotel, was arrested a few days ago for selling liquor and he came to town and signed a written agreement not to sell an other drop in McKean county.

INDIAN CREEK.

The well on the D. Cooper farm is doing 5 to 8 barrels; Hardison No. 2, on N. Hooker, 20 barrels; Cary well, on the Gale lot, started off at the rate of 50 barrels, but is now doing 40. This latter well is situated about ¾ of a mile northeast of the Hooker well, and near the head of Meek's Creek. The Stephens & Hitchcock well, on Littlefield, is waiting for tubing. It shows for 6 to 10 barrels.

The Elmira Oil Co. well was put down by the job, and claimed to be down 1404 feet, but when parties came to torpedo and measured it up it only showed 1391. There is about 200 feet of oil in the hole.

RIXFORD.

Capt. H. C. Beemer informs me that the Equitable Pipe Line Co. were starting in a large gang of men to clear out a route for the line from Gillmor City to Frisbee, on the McK. & B. Railroad, via Rixford. The principal pump station will be at Gilmor.

The Otto Oil Co. well produced 250 barrels in five days.

The Yeomans House, at Rixford, is progressing as fast as possible. C. Fay is the proprietor.

Thomas Pound has been chosen policeman by the citizens of Rixford.

Mills well No. 2, down 500 feet; Beech Grove well in and making a good show; Roter well down 900 feet; Knapps Creek Oil Co. on Baker lot, down 800 feet; Clark well doing 12 barrels; Swett well, on Portville lot, doing 12 barrels; Selkreg & Sherman well down 1100 feet.

R. R. BRANCH.

Forrest Oil Co., on Middaugh, down 1100 feet; Brown, on Rose lease, doing 25 barrels; No. 2, about commencing; A. B. Smith No. 1, on Evans tract down some 400 feet; Lee & Sanderson on Borden is down some 700 feet, and No. 2 1000 feet. Robt. Amor, on Borden tract down 500 feet.

Oil Center is the name of a new town on the corner of Main sreet and Tram Road.

Frank Andrews, on Middaugh, is down 700 feet; the Cal. Oil Co. on Saunders tract down about 1000 feet; the Erie Oil Co., on Saunders tract is probably in the sand by this time.

A. M. Fitch, head-sawyer at the Mattison mill, was caught by a shaft on the 29th ult., by his clothes and thrown around 8 or 10 times dislocating his knee which he set himself after telling them to shut off the steam, and was injured otherwise. The Boyne well is down about 900 feet; Wm. Duke's well shows for about 12 barrels.

NORTH BRANCH.

Ruprecht & Bunker, on E. Sprague lot are starting a rig; Welton No. 3, on Baldwin farm is doing 25 barrels. H. T. Nelson having sold out his interest in the English House, in Duke Center, has leased a lot in Baldwinsville of J. E. & Wm. Baldwin and commenced business in this new and growing town, and in my next will inform our readers more particularly of the business.

The Hamlin well while being drilled deeper and the tubing standing in the derrick, took fire by an extra flow of gas coming in contact with the boiler and consumed the engine-house, derrick and tank, leaving the tools in the hole, but the rig is being rebuilt and the well will be re-opened. The Johnson & Rathbone well No. 2, is due; Greyerson & Myers are down 700 feet. Horace Nobles No. 2 is down some 1300 feet; J. E. & Wm. Baldwin No. 1 down 700 feet;.

Frank Sprague has recovered from a severe billious attack at Olean and has got home.

Frank Sprague well, No. 1 is doing 18 barrels, and No. 2 is down 500 feet; the Hequenberg well on E. Sprague lot is doing 11 or 12 barrels; the Losham well on F. W. Sprague lot is starting up; the Stewart well No. 2 down 600 feet; the Franklinville Oil Co. No. 2 is down some 200 feet on E. Sprague lot; Wall & Ward on the same is down about 400 feet; Milikin on the same 300 feet; J. B. Killy on Saml. Baldwin is down 500 feet; the Love well on E. Sprague is down 500 feet.

There are several new places of trade and business opened up in Duke Center of which I have not time now to speak in detail, but write more of their growing and enterprising place in my next.

DELTA.

LATER.

DUKE CENTER, JUNE 4, 1878

The Kathbone well on G. W. Strickland, was finished last Saturday, and has since been doing 50 or 60 barrels per day.

The Strahan, or Pine Tree well, on the McCullough farm, on the South Branch, is finished and is said to be the best one yet struck in Rixford, showing that the belt grows better as we go down the valley.

A gang of 60 men are at work on the railroad, near Prentiswale.

The 35000 barrel iron tanks at this place is nearly completed, and they are now pumping.

Business at Duke Center is a little dull, owing to the low price of oil.

DELTA.

From Coryville.

June 4, '78.

To the Editor of the Miner.

Gilmor well, on Bingham land up Rice Brook, progressing finely; casing in last week, and we may soon look for development of some kind.

Williams, Rutherford, & Co's. well on the Cory farm, on Rice Brook is down nearly 1000 feet They struck first gas at 350 feet, first sand at 850 feet which was strongly impregnated with oil, and a reasonable flow of gas. This sand was between fifty and sixty feet thick, when they passed into a very hard rock. By this time it would have probably told something more, had not the tools broken and the drill went to the bottom of the hole on Saturday morning. On Monday they were fished out, and now they are at the machine shop for repairs and will doubtless be pounding away again by the fifth. One thing favorable is the various strata as and indications, are on a level with the same indications in the Rixford wells from which it is distant from three to four miles.

Indications this morning are that the "screws" have not tightened on the Equitable Pipe Line Co., as the ring of the pipe as it is being thrown from the cars, as they are unloading near the intended siding is being reverberated through the air for some distance. Each car containing about one mile in length of pipe, and seven cars I have been told have already arrived at Larrabee. A.

The Northern Tier Reporter.

We don't like the politics of our Port Allegany contemporary; never did, and probably never will. And we are probably as well pleased with our neighbor's politics as he is pleased with ours. But this incompatibility of opinion should not and does not prevent us from entertaining kindly feelings toward the paper and its editor, appreciating its enterprise and rejoicing in its prosperity. Bro. Hughes started the *Reporter* under a good many difficulties, in a new and untried field, inexperienced in conducting a newspaper, and with hardly material enough to get out the paper. During the four years that the paper has been established he has devoted his entire energies to its advancement, at home and abroad, has been continually making improvements, and now comes out with a broad gauge 9-column sheet, which, although with a "patent outside," places it in the front rank of the papers of the State. The success of the *Reporter* is due in a large measure to the fact that the merchants and business men of Port Allegany have uniformly given it a generous advertising patronage. We must admit that in this respect the *Reporter* has greatly the advantage of the MINER, yet we sincerely congratulate Bro. Hughes upon his patronage and success, and only hope that continued blessings will result in his eventually turning from the error of his ways—politically.

Livery and Exchange Stable.

We mentioned in a previous issue that Mr. Knapp, of Tioga, contemplated establishing a new livery and exchange stable in this borough. He has now completed his arrangements, and is ready to supply first-class rigs for pleasure or business purposes at reasonable rates. His carriages and horses are first-class, well kept and in good order, and parties riding to engage rigs for short or long journeys will find him prepared to fit them out in good shape. Office at the Bennett House.

The Warren Field.

The oil operations are very quiet in the Warren field. Of the four wells finished during the month, three came in dry, and the fourth is considered good for a five-barrel pumper. The noticeable feature of the field is a decline in the yield. During the month of April the pipe-line runs were 6,882 barrels, a daily average of 229 barrels. Up to the 26th of the present month 5,565 barrels had been run, which gives an average of 206 barrels per day. The well-informed operators state that the best well in the field is not doing more than a dozen barrels per day.—*Derrick.*

ROCKFORD WATCHES.—Call at Armstrong's and see the new Rockford movements which are pronounced the best watch for time and workmanship now made. In order to introduce these watches I am prepared to give the first few buyers a *great bargain*. All lovers of a *fine watch* are solicited to call and examine them and get prices.

A full line of watches, clocks and jewelry always on hand at bottom prices. Repairing a specialty.

Respectfully,
M. L. ARMSTRONG.

Smethport, Pa., May 28, 1878. t 3

Shakespeare's Last.

If you're a pilgrim and a stranger
And many miles from the farm,
Be you a producer or a granger
If you're at Olean stop with F. M. Arne.
Brunswick House Olean, N. Y.
31 tf

—Don't go to Buffalo without stopping at the Fillmore House (formerly Scott's Hotel). This house has been recently refitted and newly furnished in modern style. Terms reduced to $1,00 per day; meals 25 cents; Lodging 25 cents. t 3

—A new well on Hollenbeck, at Sawyer, is doing twenty-five barrels.

—A Bradford sport kicked upwards of nine feet Saturday night without breaking his back, and won a silver cup.

—There are 85,361 Odd Fellows in this State. The demand for relief during the past year has drawn upon the funds to the amount of $365,563.75.

—This month has five Sundays and five Saturdays, and only thirty days in all. The Sundays and Saturdays are therefore one-third of the month.

—The Fourth of July is but a few weeks distant. Yet it's a matter of indifference of course, to the patriotic citizens of Smethport. They never trouble themselves to get up a celebration. Don't like to make a fuss, you know.

—The P. C. L. & P. Co's. well No. 8, on the Clark farm, below Kendall, took fire from the sparks from a narrow gauge locomotive Saturday evening, and was destroyed, together with a quantity of oil.

—We are sorry to learn that Mr. Niles Kinney, of Annin Township is in very poor health. "Uncle" Niles is one of the oldest and most highly respected citizens of the county, and we hope will soon recover his usual vigorous health.

—Geo. Fiske, the partner of Beach, the dynamite-dealer, has been tried before Commissioner Scroggs on charge of smuggling, and held is $1,000 for his appearance at next United States District Court.

—We would invite attention to the card in another column of C. K. Crawford. Charley is located in the office of Esquire Moses, at Eldred, and is prepared to do copying, conveyancing, and all kinds of transcribing with neatness, promptness and dispatch.

—"J. J. M." the Bradford correspondent of the *Derrick*, is the champion liar of the world. He writes the most absurdly false statements to his paper with the truth staring him in the face, from pure innate cussedness. Such a wretched, half-baked scribbler is a disgrace to any respectable journal.

—Wallace Ostrander is now running the meat market in the rear of the Wright House. He is determined to please his patrons if such a thing is possible, and we are quite sure he can. He proposes to keep all kinds of fresh meats, and will fill orders promptly and in good shape.

—Hon. C. H. Foster returns from service in the Legislature with no reason to shun the meeting with one of his constituents. From many sources we hear the highest compliments for his industrious and zealous devotion to his legislative duties. Had all the members been as faithful we would hear less about the "mob" House.

—The long-wanted improvements have at last been started on the Wagner Opera House, and when completed will have a seating capacity of a thousand. There is to be an addition to the back of 40x15 feet, and it will be raised ten feet, making it 30 feet high. Raised seated and a circle gallery seated and furnished with all the latest improvement. It is to be completed and ready for an opening the middle of July.—*Sunday Breeze.*

—Butt's new building, known as the "Bowen" block, which is now about completed, is to be used by the Oil Well Supply Company, (limited), and was built by M. Finn, one of the best-known builders in Bradford. The building is 48x100 feet square, and two stories high, and is probably the best-arranged hardware-house in the district, and certainly has the handsomest front of any building in the city. It was painted and grained by Carl Sasse of Smethport.—Bradford Sunday *Breeze.*

Dentistry.

Dr. B. F. Lewis will return to this place June 10, remaining a few days for the practice of Dentistry.

—When you go to Olean stop at the Brunswick House, opposite the Union Depot, the most popular house in Olean.
31 tf

—Brunswick House, the only popular hotel in Olean. Opposite the Union Depot.
31 tf

FROM OUTSIDE.

—Good butter is worth only 15 cents a pound in Warren.

—It is reported that the Cattaraugus *Gazette*, at Gowanda, is to be removed to Cuba, as a Greenback organ.

—Hon. C. V. Elliott, of Tioga county, was presented with a magnificent gold-headed cane by his friends at Harrisburg.

—Forty-six to ten was the score of a game of ball between the compositors of the two Elmira dailies—the *Advertiser* and *Gazette*. It must have been a remarkable game.

—There are 35 to 40 prisoners confined in the Steuben county jail, and the county papers report the rickety old cage so filled that it is almost impossible to care for the birds.

—The papers of our southern border counties complain grievously because of the failure of the P. & E. company to replace the accommodation train on that division.

—The people of Lock Haven think they should have the new penitentiary. It is reported that a liberal Clintonian has offered to donate fifty acres of land for the institution.

—The debt of Tioga county is $28,150.

—According to the Cameron *Press Emporium* has seen her best days; business is declining and her population is decreasing.

—The Blossburg Petroleum Company publishes a statement showing that $5,022.66 have been expended and $7.85 remain on hand.

—Mansfield's Methodist congregation gave $70 to the mission cause on the 19th instant.

—The banking house of Doane & Son, Canton, Pa., was burglarized Tuesday morning. Three masked men entered the bed-room of the senior partner and compelled him to open the bank and deliver up $2500 in bonds.

—The Blossburg *Register*: It is now stated that work would be yet more lively for the miners at Fall Brook, were it not that the company lacks broad gauge engines with which to take the coal to market.

MARRIED.

MARSH—WILCOX—May 30th, 1878, at Norwich, Pa., by Rev. O. J. Ense, Mr. STEPHEN MARSH and Miss NETTIE O. WILCOX.

Legal.

License Petitions.

THE following Petitions have been filed with the Clerk of the Court of Quarter Sessions of McKean County, to June Sessions 1878:

FOR TAVERN LICENSES.

A P Ingersoll	Bradford Boro
Jacob Bauer & Long	do
E Hoyer & Chas Riebly	do
J L Cain	do
W W Crawford	do
J De Witt	do
Webster K. Nye	do
Patrick Flanagan	do
Briggs, Cochran & Dague	do
Timothy Mullin, jr.	do
R H McCarty	do
Wm H Albro	do
John Burke	do
Michael Perner	do
John B Shaver & John M Newman	do
Peter L Daigle	do
J W Ruble	do
Jacob H Pfohl	do
Charles Spreeter	do
John Quigley	do
Jas E Waite	do
Amos C Williams	do
F B Dean	do
James Drumgool	do
S W Trucks & L Willard	do
Augustine Crawford	do
B C Mitchell	do
Joseph Frew	do
Patrick Burns	do
W H Simmons	do
R A Hemingway	do
R W Greene	do
George Riddell	do
P W Roth	do
Thos McGoldrick	do
P McNamara	do
John G King & John Keown	do
Cyrus H Hines	do
Charles L Block	do
Wm H Knapp	do
Joseph Mullin	Bradford Township
Dorsn & Bailey	do
W F Stoddard & J A Sherman	do
M D Purinton	do
Charles T Moore	do
J N McMullen	do
Loren Whiting	Babcock Mills
Jeremiah Cronen	do
Charles Geary	Custer City
Michael Morris	do
T W Searle	do
T S Harrison	do
James M Wood	Dallas City
O M Reynolds	DeGolier
Duncan Sutherland	Derrick City
David L Ross	do
Pardon Worsley	Gilmor City
J J Wilson	do
John F Leonard	do
Frank Dana	do
H B Kendall & R B Simpson	do
J W Baum	do
P W Bulger	do
Dennis O'Keefe	do
John McNally	Red Rock
Geo Hadrill	do
Wm Parsons	do
Robert Campbell	do
John Purcell	do
Nies & Goodenough	do
Lyman R Barnes	Sawyer City
James M Matteson	Eldred Township
Luke Moore & Wm Boyington	do
R Larrabee	do
C B Moore & C H Tibbitts	do
John A McCombe	do
Sawyer & Johnson	Kendall Boro'
J H Patton	do
Joseph Norton	do
L W Sawyer	do
P Mulqueen	do
Chas A Terry	do
A S Scribner	do
James O'Neill	do
Reynolds & Bailey	do
P Spickermagle	do
Thos Hughes	do
Michael McGee	do
W S Heckart	Otto Township
E Hutton & H Lantz	do
E N Middaugh	do
W Carl Dallas bough	Duke Centre
W H Parker	do
A L Wright	do
S S Langabaugh	do
A F Jackson	do
A J Kimball	do
E D Slingerland	do
J W Greene	do
J Q Stephens	Rixford
John R Neill	do
E F Lake	do
C Fay	do
B H Rolph	do
S C Sartwell Port Allegany	Liberty Township
Mrs S A Palmer	do
John F Keating, Clermont, sergeant	Township
Wm Haskill	Smethport Boro'
C H Kemp Kane	Wetmore Township
George Welker do	do

FOR EATING HOUSE LICENSES.

Fred W Hepp	Bradford Boro'
Edwin W Harris	do
Geo V Howard	do
Cornell, Heller & Smith	do
Nathan Wilbur	do
A J Edgett	do
James McCorkell	do
F X Kissling	do
J H Harmon & D K Baugher	do
G P Brooks	Bradford Township
James Hewett	Custer City
Daniel C Sullivan	do
John E Royce	Gilmor City
Stephen Logan	do
Vincent Davidson & M T Doran	Red Rock
M W Lee & M E Friedman	do
Geo Young	Derrick City
Fred O'Brock	Kendall Boro'
M J Lawton & T W Potter	do
H Rachebler	do
Seymour Batterson	do
D H Furlow & C B Adams	do
G B Abbey & B Gunn	do
L B Bishop, Port Allegany	Liberty Township
E L Scott	do
Geo F Wallhauser, Duke Centre	Otto Tw'p
F A Chapman	do
Chas W Bishop	Rixford
James Cooley	do
Geo W Boyer	do
John C Dewitt	do

WHOLESALE & RETAIL LICENSES.

Chas Geary	Alton Lafayette Township
Leo Bickart	Bradford Boro'
Truman Stone	do
John Hazel	do
Louis Heineman & Jos Schlesinger	do
Eugene Jaynes & L D Whitlock	do
E Andrews	do
C E Truesdell & O C Parker	do
Fredrick Schwartz	do
John Drumgool	do
Sliney & Whelead	Duke Centre Otto Tw'p
E L Hoffman	Gilmor City Bradford Tw'p
Joseph A Gilmore, Ag't	Kendall Boro'

BOTTLERS LICENSE.

J P Kelley & L H Hodges Bradford Boro'

MCKEAN COUNTY, ss:

(SEAL) Certified from the originals on file May 27, 1878.

C K SARTWELL, Clerk,
per J R CHADWICK, Deputy.

Register's Notices.

Notice is hereby given, that E. Fitch, administrator of the estate of Kate M. Jackson, deceased, has filed in my office his last and final account, as administrator of said estate, and will present the same for confirmation and allowance at the next stated Orphan's Court, to be held at Smethport on the third Monday of June, A. D. 1878. Witness my hand and seal, May 13, 1878.

C. K. SARTWELL, Register. [L. S.]

Notice is hereby given that Larey Lyman, Guardian of the minor children of J. Phillips, deceased, has filed in my office his last and final account, as said Guardian, and will present the same for confirmation and allowance at the next stated Orphan's Court, to be held at Smethport on the third Monday of June next, A. D. 1878. Witness my hand and seal May 13, 1878.

C. K. SARTWELL, C. O. C. [L. S.]

Notice is hereby given that Larey Lyman, Guardian of the minor children of J. Kellogg, deceased, has filed in my office his last and final account, as said Guardian, and will present the same for confirmation and allowance at the next stated Orphan's Court, to be held at Smethport on the third Monday of June next, A. D. 1878. Witness my hand and seal May 13, 1878

C. K. SARTWELL, C. O. C. [L. S.]
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Notice.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an application will be made at Smethport, Pa., on Monday June 17th 1878 to Honorable S. F. Wilson, Law Judge, for the granting of a charter of incorporation to an association to be known as the Port Allegany Driving Park Association, having for its object the securing and maintaining of improved facilities for the education and training of trotting and road horses.

JOHN F. SHURTZ. W. J. DAVIS.
F H ARNOLD GEORGE FITCH.
P. A McDONALD. L. H. DOLLEY.
And Others.

A. W. SMITH, Att'y for Applicants
3t Port Allegany, May 27, 1878.

In Bankruptcy.

District Court of the United States, for the western District of Pennsylvania.

This is to give notice, that on the 13th day of May A. D. 1878, a warrant in Bankruptcy was issued against the estate of Wallace H. Glass, of Bradford Township in the County of McKean, and State of Pennsylvania, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt upon his own petition; that the payment of any debts and delivery of any property belonging to such Bankrupt to him or for his use, and the transfer of any property by him are forbidden by law; that a meeting of the creditors of said Bankrupt to prove their debts and to choose one or more assignees of his Estate will be held at a Court of Bankruptcy, to be holden at Office No. 11, North Park Row, Erie, Pa., before S. E. Woodruff Esq., Register, on the 1st day of July, A. D. 1878 at 10 o'clock, A. M.

JOHN HALL,
U. S. Marshal, as Messenger.

Pittsburgh, May 15th 1878.

Legal.

Sheriff's Sales.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate to wit, which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport, on Monday the 17th day of June A. D. 1878 at one o'clock p. m.

All that piece, parcel or tract of land bounded and described as follows. Being a village lot in the village of Harrisburg (or as Bradford borough) in the township of Bradford, McKean county, Pa., bounded on the south by land of Tinney, on the west by the street, on the north by land of J. W. Brennan, on the east by ——— lands, on which there is erected a new frame dwelling house with wing, one frame barn painted and one well of water thereon.

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of G. W. Neass at the suit of Bull, Wright & Co. and others.

C. S. KING, sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa. May 26, 1878.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county, to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate to wit, which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport on Monday the 17th day of June A. D. 1878, at one o'clock p. m.

All that tract of parcel of land in Hamilton township, McKean county and state of Pennsylvania, known and described as follows to wit. Beginning at an ironwood being the northeast corner of Warrant No. 2622, thence south along said Warrant line of same, 244 rods to a sugar tree, thence east along said Warrant line 440 rods to a hemlock, thence north 242 rods to a post, thence west 440 rods to the place of beginning, said to contain one thousand acres more or less, excepting one hundred acres heretofore sold by David Sears and fifty acres sold to Charles Barth Ismey; also fifty acres sold to Mary Culbertson, also three acres, beginning at a beech two rods north of a blacksmith shop on the main Kinzua Creek road below the Chappel Fork, thence along said road to a beech tree being the northwest corner of Bartholomew lot, thence along line of said lot up the Chappel Fork to what is called the Rollway, to a pine, thence north forty degrees west sixty rods, thence west to the place of beginning containing three acres more or less. Also three hundred acres off of the east end of Warrant No. 2429, excepting one square acre out of the corner so sold by David Sears, also fifty acres sold to Benjamin Woods. About 100 acres improved, being well watered and having thereon 1 frame house with lean-to attached, 1 frame barn, 1 saw mill, 1 blacksmith shop and a number of fruit trees

Seized, taken in execution and will be sold as the property of James A. Anderson, at the suit of Caughey, Borgess & Walker, and others.

C. S. KING, Sheriff.

Sheriff's Office, Smethport, Pa. May 20, 1878.

BY VIRTUE of a writ of FIERI FACIAS issued out of the Court of Common Pleas of McKean county to me directed, I have levied upon the following described real estate to wit, which I shall expose to public sale at the Court House in the borough of Smethport, on Monday the 17th day of June A. D. 1878 at one o'clock p. m.

All that piece, parcel or tract of land bounded and described as follows. Beginning at an ironwood on the east line of lot No. 277 of the allotment of Bingham lands in Otto (now Keating) township, McKean county Pennsylvania, conveyed by William Hinkley, to Daniel Kelley, thence south 114 2-10 perches to a hemlock, thence south 79 4-10 perches, thence west 114 2-10 perches, thence 79 4-10 perches to an ironwood the place of beginning, containing 67 3-10 acres with the usual allowance of six per cent for roads &c., be the same more or less, with 60 fruit tr

Foolishness.

Waiting to be whipped is the most uninteresting period in childhood.—Josh Billings.

The wife of a funny man, by acting as critic, can spoil more paragraphs than could a dozen college-bred compositors.—Boston Society.

To a tired and loving mother who sits down beside a huge basket of holey stockings, "the darkest hour is always just before the darn."—Hackensack (Cal.) Republican.

An Ohio man has a three-eyed baby—tw eyes for common uses and one eye on the main chance, a political office for instance.—Worcester Press.

If the good die young, we should like to ask at what age do the good-for-nothing ones die?—Elmira Gazette. Don't be so impatient. Wait your turn.—Rochester express.

"Before a man deliberitely makes up his mind to be a raskal, he shood examine hisself clusely tew assertane of he ain't butter konsitooted for a big fool."—Josh Billings.

It is well enough to denounce tramps and say they won't accept positions. But just offer one of them the presidency of a bank once. That would be a square test.—Puck.

A French writer says Americans do not have handsome chins. He will find, however, that the activity of this feature will in a measure make up for its lack of beauty.—Picayune.

The streets of Paris are kept so clean and tidy that people who are run over and killed do not look as mussed up as a New Yorker who slips on an orange peel.—Detroit Press.

A Bridgeport man had his wife arrested for drunkenness. He furnished the wagon to carry her to the station house, and wanted the city to pay for its use. He was nearly as tight as she was.—Burlington Hawkeye.

In China parents do not call their girls by given names, but by *numbers*, 1, 2, 3, and so on. In that country a young man does'nt always look out for "No. 1," without she's good-looking.—Turner's Falls Reporter.

It may be observed that the young lady who wears a massive gold ring upon her finger is more troubled about the set of her collar than she whose hand is unadorned save by the marks of the needle.—Graphic.

A practical view: Miss Grabbanle—"Well, we've made something out of our parties, anyway. They left five fans, and *Alice Roseleaf dropped this lovely curl*—just my shade. She won't ask for it, so I mean to keep it."—Lampoon.

Out in Nevada a young wife in Eureka asked her husband to take to the circus, but he refused, and said: "I have lost four wives already, and you're the fifth, and afore them circus fellows get here I'm just goin' to chain you up.—New York Herald.

Newark lawyers, as a rule, are pretty well up in biblical literature, but it is a fact that recently one of them, pleading a case, in the middle of an eloquent peroration drew a vivid and touching picture of Daniel in the fiery furnace.—Newark Call.

When Mr. Jasper gets through butting his head against the wall of scientific truth, will he have the kindness to step over this way and explain why it is that the sun always turns his coolest side upon us the very next day after a man sheds his undershirt?—Times.

LEARN YOUR BUSINESS.—The Toronto *Monetary Times* has this sensible bit of philosophy:

"A young man in a leather store used to feel very impatient with his employer for keeping him, year after year, for three years, "handling hides." But he saw the use of it years after, when in an establishment of his own he was able to tell by the touch the exact quality of the goods. It was only by those thousands of repetitions that the lesson was learned; and so it is with everything in which we acquire skill. The half-informed, half-skilled in every business outnumber the others, dozens to one. Daniel Webster once replied to a young man who asked him if there was "any room in the legal profession," "There is always room at the top." The better you know your business the better your chance to rise. You can gather much information by making a wise use of your eyes and ears, and perhaps be able to surprise your employer in an emergency by stepping into the "next man's place and discharging his duties satisfactorily; so, *learn* your business."

A Strange Race in Brightwood Park.

A novel race took place at Brightwood Park, Washington, last Tuesday afternoon, between a pedestrian named Crawford, formerly of Auburn, N. Y., who was to walk a quarter while a horse trotted a half mile. The horse, Joe Bradley, broke and ran a great part of the distance, beating the walker by fifty feet, the time of the walker being 21½ seconds. A second trial was made, the mare Lady Morrow being selected to do the trotting.—Crawford won by ten feet, amid shouts of applause, in 1:24, being the fastest walking ever seen in this section.

A FAIR START.—He was an entire stranger to the girls present, and the boys were mean and would not introduce him. He finally plucked up courage, and, stepping up to a young lady, requested the pleasure of her company for the next dance. She looked at him in surprise, and informed him she had not the pleasure of his acquaintance. "Well," remarked Cazenovia, Indiana, "you don't take any more chances than I do."—Cazenovia *Republican*.

THE laying of the third rail on the Erie railway will commence by the tenth of June, the men having been notified to that effect. The work will start at Waverly, going east to Susquehanna. One hundred car loads of rails are to be delivered at Binghamton.

PRESIDENT GOWEN of the Philadelphia and Reading coal and iron company has invited all his miners to visit the Philadelphia exhibition during the two week's suspension of coal mining about to begin, everything to be free of charge while there.

It is thought in Rome that Pope Leo is not long for this world. He is exceedingly nervous, and the trembling amounts almost to paralysis.

The Women's Hotel.

The Women's Hotel, opened April 1st, is to be abandoned as a special home for women and will be transformed into a hotel for the general public. Mrs. A. T. Stewart, it is stated, has made up her mind, after two months' experience, that the experiment is a failure. The new hotel will be opened early in June. Judge Hilton said: "Mrs. Stewart is very much grieved at the failure. She had expected great results from the enterprise; had taken a room for herself, and she had fondly hoped to spend the remainder of her days among those of her sex whom her husband's philanthropy had surrounded with all the comforts of life. The women for whom this house was built and furnished have not patronized it liberally, and it is run at a loss. Mrs. Stewart has therefore determined to end the experiment at once."

In relation to the purposes to which the building is to be devoted hereafter, Judge Hilton said: "The changes of structure essential are now going on. A smoking-room, a billiard-room, a barber-shop, and a saloon will be added. There is $3,700,000 invested in this hotel, on which the annual interest is $250,000. There are over $300,000 worth of choice oil-paintings on the walls of the house. We could have supported the present plan with 500 guests, and with 1,000 it is run along nicely. With all our efforts we only received fifty boarders out of 250 accepted applicants."

Referring to the cost of the Woman's Hotel, Mr. Hilton said that aside from the $250,000 annual interest on the cost, the annual expenses were $9,000 for gas, $2,000 for water, and $22,000 for taxes. It is cost over $500 a day more than was received since the opening in April. It is valued $50,000 to make the necessary alterations to the house. It is understood that the present inmates can retain their rooms at the prices heretofore paid by them. The new hotel is to be conducted on the present style of the Metropolitan, and will continue under the management of Henry Clair.

One of the Bonanza Kings.

From the Alta Californian.

In the death of W. S. O'Brien, California lost a man whose peculiarly good fortune equalled in romance the fabulous tale of the discovery of Aladin's lamp. Born in Ireland, near Dublin, about the year 1825, of humble parentage, he emigrated to this country at a boyish age. On arriving at New York he had the choice of entering a store or going to Texas, and he chose the former position. He arrived in California on the 6th of July, 1849, in the ship Faralinto. He was so poor that he had to earn a few dollars by assisting in discharging the cargo from the vessel. He went to the mines, and in 1850, connected with J. C. Flood and J. M. Walker, was concerned in mining operations in Poor Man's Gulch, middle fork of Feather river. He returned to San Francisco in the fall of 1851, successively engaging in the liquor business with Col. W. C. Hoff, and the ship chandlery business with Capt. W. J. Romer. In this latter was laid, to a certain extent, the foundation of his future immense wealth. In 1854, with his old partner and friend, J. C. Flood, he kept the Auction Lunch Room, in Washington street, and in this business he continued for 12 years, in the meantime closely watching the stock market and becoming interested in several mines. In 1867 the partners gave their undivided attention to mining, the result of which was that in a few years they drew to themselves such immense wealth that the name and power of the Bonanza Kings have become a household word all the world over. The firm, whose wealth it is impracticable to estimate, was composed of J. C. Flood (with one-fifth interest), the late W. S. O'Brien (with one-fifth), J. S. Fair (with one-fifth), and Jno. Mackey (who purchased the share of J. M. Walker, of two-fifths. For some years past Mr. O'Brien took no very active part in the control of the enterprise in which he was engaged, although he was extremely proud of the Bank of Nevada, with its $10,000,000, of capital.

Some Garden Hints.

Says the Country Gentleman: In sowing either vegetables or flower-seed, there are some leading requisites which must not be overlooked. The soil must be in the right condition, or dry enough to be well-pulverized, and not left wet to form clods. It is better to defer work some days than to be annoyed the whole season with baked soil or hard lumps. Much depends on the condition of the soil; if old manure and vegetable mould have been fully-applied and well-mixed in they will tend to give a fine friable soil.

In sowing the seed of vegetables, three chief conditions must be attended to: FIRST, to have a fine mellow soil; SECOND, to cover shallow, and not too deep; and THIRD, except for the hardiest sorts, to wait till the soil is warm.

FIRST.—The importance of finely pulverized soil is obvious.

SECOND.—The more shallow the covering, provided the moist condition of the seed is preserved, the sooner and more certainly the plants will come up. Seeds must have three requisites for growth, of air, moisture, and warmth. If buried too deep they cannot get air. As a general rule, they should not be covered deeper than four or five times their diameter.—We have known seed of different kinds to be buried by ignorant gardeners several inches deep, when they should not have been over an inch and a half at the most. They were beyond the reach of air and did not come up; The seedsman was denounced for fraud. In one instance a neighbor had buried his best seed four or five inches deep, as he thought with great care, and none made their appearance, to his great disappointment. The remaining seeds of the same package were then covered an inch, and the plants came up in thick profusion.

THIRD.—Hardy vegetables, like peas, may be planted as early as the soil will admit. Tender sorts, as beans, and corn, would rot if planted too early, and must be left till the soil is warm. The same precaution must be preserved in planting flower seeds. Those which are hardy, and which the frost will not easily kill in autumn, may be put in earlier than such as are cut by the frost.

Thorough draining is the most requisite for successful gardening. Wet feet will spoil any plant. Asparagus beds are sometimes killed by water below the surface. A cold, wet subsoil cannot produce early, or good crops.

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Miscellaneous.

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SOUTHWARD.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	LOCAL.
Larrabee.....Leave	12.20 p.m	8.20 a.m
Fribley	12.26	8.30 †
Farmers Valley	12.33	8.48 †
Smethport	12.50	9.05 †
Crosby	12.11 *	8.16 *
Colegrove	12.15	8.21 †
Hamlin	12.19 *	8.28 *
Werdwag	12.44 *	8.46 *
Clermont.....Arrive		7.00

NORTHWARD.

STATIONS.	MAIL.	LOCAL.
Clermont.....Leaves	1.30 p.m	7.30 a.m
Werdwag	1.35 *	7.35 *
Hamlin	1.46 *	7.50 †
Colegrove	1.50	7.56 †
Crosby	1.55 *	8.01 †
Smethport	2.13	8.23
Farmers Valley	2.26	8.36
Fribley	2.38 *	8.51 *
Larabee.....Arrive	2.48	9.00

Trains will not stop at stations marked with a star (*). Trains will stop at stations marked thus (†) when flagged.

S. V. GODDEN,
Superintendent

Pennsylvania Railroad.
Philadelphia & Erie R. R. Division
WINTER TIME TABLE.

On and after Thursday, June 28th 1877, the Trains on the Philadelphia & Erie Railroad Division will run as follows:

WESTWARD.

ERIE MAIL leaves Philadelphia.....11.35 p. m
" " " Renovo.....11.00 a. m
" " " Emporium.....12.55 p. m
" " " St. Marys.....1.46 p. m
" " " Kane.....3.20 p.m
" " arr. at Erie.....7.35 p. m

EASTWARD.

ERIE MAIL leaves Erie.....11.00 a. m
" " " Kane.....3.50 p. m
" " " St Marys.....5.18 p. m
" " " Emporium.....6.15 p. m
" " " Renovo.....8.35 p. m
" " arr. at Philadelphia.....7.00 a. m

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Gn'l Supt.

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March 5, 1878.
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SOUTHWARD.

Leave Buffalo 7:45 a. m.—Mail.—Arriving at Ebenezer, 8.08; Springbrook, 8.21; Elton, 8.34; Jamison's, 8.39; Aurora, 8.50; Wales, 8.43; Holland, 8.53; Protection, 9.02; Arcade, 9.13; Yorkshire, 9.22; Machias, 9.36; Franklinville, 9.43; Ischua, 9.50; Hinsdale, 10.11; Erie R'y Junct., 10.25, Olean, 10.30; Weston's, 10.39; Portville, 10.45; State Line, 10.53; Eldred, 11.06; Larrabees, 11.16; Sartwell, 11.22; Turtle Point, 11.27; Port Allegany, 11.40; Liberty, 11.56; Keating, 12.05; Shippen, 12.22; P. M. Emporium, 12.35; connecting at Olean with Erie Railway East and West; and with Olean, Bradford & Warren R. R. for the New Oil Territory, arriving at Bradford at 12.55 p.m. at Larrabees with McKean & Buffalo R. R.; at Emporium with Philadelphia & Erie R. R.

Leave Buffalo 4:35 p. m.—Port Allegany Express.—Arriving at Ebenezer, 4.52; Springbrook, 5.05; Elton, 5.08; Jamison's, 5.15; Aurora, 5.25; Wales, 5.35; Holland, 5.46; Protection, 5.55; Arcade, 6.09; Yorkshire, 6.17; Machias, 6.26; Franklinville, 6.42; Ischua, 7.00; Hinsdale, 7.14; Erie R'y Junct. 7.21; Olean, 7.30; Weston's, 7.49; Portville, 7.47; State Line, 7.56; Eldred, 8.11; Larrabees, 8.21; Sartwell, 8.27; Turtle Point, 8.32; Port Allegany, 8.45; p.m connecting at Olean with Olean, Bradford & Warren R. R. arriving in Bradford at 9.25 p.m.

NORTHWARD.

Leave Port Allegany 6:35 a. m.—Express.—Arriving at Turtle Point 5.49; Sartwell, 6.54; Larrabees, 7.02; Eldred, 7.12 State Line, 7.25; Portville, 7.34; Weston's, 7.42; Olean, 7.50; Erie R'y Junct. 8.04; Hinsdale, 8.13; Ischua, 8.31; Franklinville, 8.44; Machias, 9.05; Yorkshire, 9.15; Arcade, 9.24; Protection, 9.37; Holland, 9.47; Wales, 9.56; Aurora, 10.10; Buffalo, 10.50 a.m. The Ocean, Bradford & Warren train leaving Bradford at 6.00 a.m. makes direct connection at Olean with this train.

Leave Emporium 1:25 p.m.—Mail.—Arriving at Shippen, 1.41; Keating, 1.56; Liberty, 2.07; Port Allegany, 2.25; Turtle Point, 2.38; Sartwell, 2.43; Larrabees, 2.50; Eldred, 3.00; State Line, 3.12; Portville, 3.20 Weston's, 3.28; Olean, 3.40; Erie R'y Junct., 3.46; Hinsdale, 3.58; Ischua, 4.16; Franklinville, 4.27; Madilla, 4.43; Yorkshire, 4.52; Arcade, 5.00; Protection; 5.13; Holland, 5.22; Wales, 5.35; Aurora, 5.46; Jamison, 5.53; Elton, 5.57; Springbrook, 6.05; Ebenezer, 6.13; Buffalo, 6.30 p.m. P. & E. R. R. train from the East and South makes direct connection at Emporium with the above train, as do also the McKean & Buffalo R. R. train at Larrabees, the Erie Railway trains from the East and West at Olean, Bradford & Warren train leaving Bradford at 2.00 p.m.

ERIE RAILWAY.

Abstract of Time Table, Adopted November, 12, 1877.

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EASTWARD.

STATIONS	No. 8, †	No. 12.*	No. 4.	No. 6.
D'kirk, L've	1.05 p. m.			7.05 a. m.
Le Yul. "	2.5 "			8.48 "
Cincin'l "		9.50 "		
Cleveland "		7.00 a. m.		
Salam'ca "	3.35 p. m.			9.17 "
Olean "	4.09 "			10.01 "
Cuba "	4.30 "			10.33 "
Genesee "	5.20 "			11.20 "
Andover "				11.15 pm
Buffalo Arr.				
Niag F'lls "				
H'rville L've	8.50am	8.35 p m	12.35am	1.50
Elmira Arr.	10.38 "	9.40 "	2.30 "	4.20
Bing'ton "	12.25pm	10.53 "	4.35 "	7.30
P't Jervis "	4.45 "	3.38 a m	9.50 "	
New York*	7.45pm	7.25 a m	12.25p m	

ADDITIONAL LOCAL TRAINS EASTWARD.

4.50 a m, except Sundays, from Dunkirk. Stopping at Sheridan 5.15, Forestville 5.30, Smith's Mills 6.01, Perrysburg 6.42, Dayton 7.03, Cattaraugus 8.00, Little Valley 8.25, Salamanca 8.45, Great Valley 10.07, Carrollton 10.37, Vandalia 11.—, Allegany 11.40, 2 m, Olean 12.02, Hinsdale 12.—, Cuba 1.25, Friendship 2.33, Belvidere 3.05, Phillipsville 3.40, Scio 4.05, Genesee 4.35, Andover 5.00, Alfred 5.26, Almond 6.05, and arriving at Hornellsville at 7.20 p m.

9.30, a m, daily from Dunkirk, stopping at Sheridan 9.57, Forestville 9.30, Smith's Mills 10.03 Perrysburg 10.27, Dayton 10.40, Cattaraugus 11.00 Little Valley 11.17, a m, Salamanca 11.45, Great Valley 11.52, Carrollton 12.10, Vandalia 12.27, Allegany 12.40, Olean 1.05, Hinsdale 1.20, Cuba 2.25, Friendship 3.0, Belvidere 3.20, Phillipsville 3.35, Scio 3.52, Genesee 4.10, Andover 4.45, Alfred 5.10, Almond 5.34, arriving at Hornellsville at 5.55 p m.

6.15 p m, daily from Salamanca, stopping (for passengers having tickets, at Olean 6.55, and Genesee 11.10 p m, arriving at Hornellsville 1.30 a.m.

9.15 p m, daily from Dunkirk, stopping at Sheridan 9.31, Forestville 9.45, Smith's Mills 9.50, Perrysville 10.14, Cattaraugus 10.25, Cattaraugus 11.00, Little Valley 11.24 and arriving at Salamanca at 11.45 p m.

WESTWARD.

STATIONS.	No. 3.*	No. 9. †	1.*
New Y'k L've	3.00 p.m.	7.00 p.m.	9.00a.m.
P't Jervis "	10.55 "	11.35 "	12.15 p m
H'rville L've	8.15 a m	12.30 p m	8.55 pm
Andover L've		1.15 p m	
Genesee "	9.17 "	1.34 "	9.37pm
Cuba "	10.17 "	2.32 "	10.49 "
Olean "	10.40 "	3.00 "	11.05 "
G't Valley "	11.11 "	3.38 "	
Salamanca Arr.	11.25 "	3.49 "	11.50 "
Cleveland "	7.20 p m		
Cincinnati "	5.30 a m		
G't Valley L've.	11.57 p m	4.15 a m	12.22 am
Dunkirk Arr.	1.30 "	5.55 p m	2.30 "

ADDITIONAL LOCAL TRAINS WESTWARD

2.00 a m, daily from Hornellsville, stopping at Cedesee 2.02, Olean 3.25, and arriving at Salamanca at 30.55 a m.

4.30 a m, except Sundays from Hornellsville, stopping at Almond 5.00, Alfred 5.25, Andover 5.42, Genesee 7.21, Scio 7, 43, Phillipsville 8.07, Belvidere 8.30, Friendship 8.53, Cuba 9.09, Hinsdale 10.45, Olean 11.00, Allegany 11.45, a m, Vandalia 12.27, Carrollton 12.10, Great Valley 1.30, Salamanca 1.55, Little Valley 2.15, Cattaraugus 2.35, Dayton 4.55, Perrysburg 5.02, Smith's Mills 5.42, Forrestville 6.08, Sheridan 6.27, and arriving at Dunkirk at 6.50 p m.

12.30 p m, daily from Hornellsville, stopping at Almond 12.55, Alfred 12.45, Andover 1.0, Genesee 1.24, Scio 1.32, Phillipsville 1.41, Belvidere 1.50, Friendship 2.00, Cuba 2.22, Hinsdale 2.37, Olean 2.50, Allegany 2.58, Vandalia 3.08, Carrollton, 3, 22, Great Valley 3.38, Salamanca 3.57, Little Valley 4.16, Cattaraugus 4.3 , Dayton 4.53, Perrysburg 5.07, Smith's Mills 5.17, Forrestville 5.25, Sheridan 5.35, and arriving at Dunkirk 5.45; p m;

5.10 p m, daily, except Sundays from Hornellsville, stopping at Genesee 3.01, Belvidere 4.10, Olean 5.50, Carrollton 6.45, and arriving at Salamanca at 8.00 p m.

8.55 p m, daily from Hornellsville, stopping at Genesee 9.57, Belvidere 10.10, Cuba 10.40, Olean 11.05, Salamanca 11.55, Little Valley 12.33, Cattaraugus 12.47, and arriving at Dunkirk at 2.30 am.

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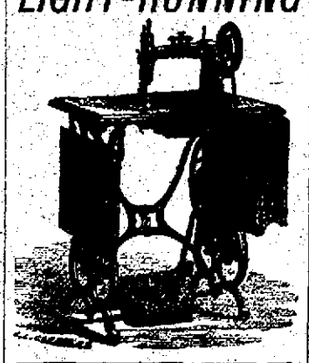

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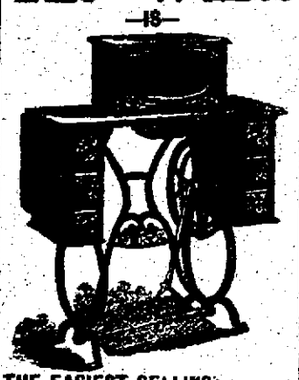

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